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24 JUL 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Intelligence
Department of the Army

SUBJECT: Request for a Departmental Indication of Priority
Interest in a Study of Soviet Capabilities in Foreign
and Domestic Mapping

25X1A5a1 1. The Central Intelligence Agency signed a contract with the

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██████████ on 11 June 1951, to undertake a study and prepare estimates
of Soviet capabilities in foreign and domestic mapping to include
geodesy, aerial photography and photogrammetry.

2. Members of the RDB, the Map and Photo Committee of the Joint
Staff of J.I.G./J.C.S. as well as technical specialists of the Map
and Photo Branch, G-2, the Army Map Service, the Hydrographic Office,
and the Aeronautical Chart and Information Service were made cognizant
of the purpose, objectives and scope of the project. Indications of
their interest were noted and taken into consideration in the final
drafting of the attached outline.

3. It is now desired that the detailed and specific interests of
the intelligence and technical areas of the Department of Defense be
given the fullest possible consideration in the prosecution of the project.
Accordingly, it is requested that your priority interests in the subject
matter as outlined in the attachment be indicated on a copy of the
attachment by major topics and also by sub-headings within each major
topic and returned not later than 6 August 1951. It is also suggested
that a liaison be established in each intelligence agency for purposes
of providing a continuing coordinating contact with the CIA project
Administrator for the duration of the project.

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It is requested further that he be given access to all
information through Top Secret bearing upon the subject-matter of the
project to ensure the fullest consideration of all available data in the
undertaking of analyses and preparation of interim and final estimates.

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5. All results produced in the course of the work will be available to the intelligence agencies through the above-mentioned coordinating points. Formal reports will also be made through established intelligence reporting channels.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

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Enclosures (3)
As stated above
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